

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**HB 1546 – SB 1608**

January 29, 2018

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Expands the grounds for termination of parental or guardianship rights to include a parent being convicted of or found civilly liable for attempting to cause the intentional and wrongful death of the child's other parent or guardian. Permits the non-offending parent to file a petition to terminate the parental rights of parent attempting the intentional and wrongful death.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (012131):** Deletes and replaces language in the original bill without making any substantive changes to the legislation.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- There will be no fiscal impact on the operations of the Department of Children's Services.
- Based on information provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts, any increase in the number of petitions filed would be absorbed within existing judicial resources.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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